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Attorney Docket No. 81974

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
PRATAP MALIK )  
Serial No.: 09/779,984 )  
Filed: February 9, 2001 )  
For: A PREPARATION FOR USE IN )  
CELL CULTURE IN WHICH )  
AN INTERFERING COMPOUND )  
IS ABSENT OR DEPLETED )

Group Art Unit: 1644

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated February 20, 2003, please amend the above-identified patent application as indicated below. A petition for a two-month extension of time and the requisite fee accompany this paper.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the paragraph bridging pages 4 and 5 with the following replacement paragraph: